

CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report

2021 Second Round

November 17, 2021

Heritage Square South, located at 710 N. Fair Oaks Avenue in Pasadena, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$2,500,000 in annual federal tax credits to finance the new construction of 69 units of housing serving special needs tenants with rents affordable to households earning 30% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by BRIDGE Housing Corporation and will be located in Senate District 25 and Assembly District 41.

The project will be receiving rental assistance in the form of HUD Section 8 Project-based Vouchers.

Project Number CA-21-177

Project Name Heritage Square South
Site Address: 710 N. Fair Oaks Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91103 County: Los Angeles
Census Tract: 4620.020

Tax Credit Amounts	Federal/Annual	State/Total
Requested:	\$2,500,000	\$0
Recommended:	\$2,500,000	\$0

Applicant Information

Applicant: Heritage Square II, LP
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General Partner(s) / Principal Owner(s): Heritage Square II, LLC
General Partner Type: Nonprofit
Parent Company(ies): BRIDGE Housing Corporation
Developer: BRIDGE Housing Corporation
Investor/Consultant: Community Housing Partnership Corporation
Management Agent(s): John Stewart Company

Project Information

Construction Type: New Construction
Total # Residential Buildings: 1
Total # of Units: 70
No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 69 100%
Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%
Federal Subsidy: HUD Section 8 Project Based Vouchers (69 Units - 100%)

Information

Set-Aside: N/A
 Housing Type: Special Needs
 Type of Special Needs: Homeless
 Average Targeted Affordability of Special Needs/SRO Project Units: 30.00%
 % of Special Need Units: 100.00%
 Geographic Area: Balance of Los Angeles County
 TCAC Project Analyst: Franklin Cui

55-Year Use / Affordability

<u>Aggregate Targeting Number of Units</u>	<u>Percentage of Affordable Units</u>
At or Below 30% AMI: 69	80%

Unit Mix

69 1-Bedroom Units
1 2-Bedroom Units
70 Total Units

<u>Unit Type & Number</u>	<u>2021 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
69 1 Bedroom	30%	\$665
1 2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	\$0

Project Cost Summary at Application

Land and Acquisition	\$6,449,591
Construction Costs	\$18,292,598
Rehabilitation Costs	\$0
Construction Contingency	\$2,065,358
Relocation	\$315,675
Architectural/Engineering	\$1,232,323
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$1,702,392
Legal Fees	\$265,115
Reserves	\$579,080
Other Costs	\$4,178,098
Developer Fee	\$2,200,000
Commercial Costs	\$3,156,027
Total	\$40,436,257

Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$311
Per Unit Cost:	\$529,878
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$423,452

Construction Financing		Permanent Financing	
Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Wells Fargo	\$23,091,718	CCRC	\$4,497,000
City of Pasadena Loan	\$4,992,683	City of Pasadena Loan	\$4,992,683
Cost Deferred Until Construction	\$2,105,282	City of Pasadena Land	\$6,400,000
City of Pasadena Land	\$6,400,000	Impact Fee Waiver	\$1,721,574
Impact Fee Waiver	\$1,721,574	Tax Credit Equity	\$22,825,000
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,125,000	TOTAL	\$40,436,257

*Less Donated Land, Fee Waivers, Seller Carryback Loans, and Deferred Developer Fee

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$21,441,361
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$27,873,769
Applicable Rate:	9.00%
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$2,500,000
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$2,200,000
Investor/Consultant:	Community Housing Partnership Corporation
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.91300

The “as if vacant” land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, shall not increase during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits, unless a waiver has been granted for a purchase price not to exceed the sum of third party debt that will be assumed or paid off. The sum of the third party debt encumbering the property may increase during subsequent reviews to reflect the actual amount.

Tie-Breaker Information

First:	Special Needs
Final:	56.444%

Significant Information / Additional Conditions: None.

Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event: None.

Local Reviewing Agency

The Local Reviewing Agency has not yet completed a site review of this project. Any negative comments in the LRA report will cause this staff report to be revised to reflect such comments.

Standard Conditions

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation and any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

State tax credit recipients are limited to cash distributions from project operations pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 12206(d). By accepting the tax credit reservation, the applicant/owner is agreeing to comply with the statutory limitations and requirements.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

If the applicant has requested the use of a CUAC utility allowance, TCAC's Compliance staff will review the CUAC documentation for this project prior to placed in service. Until written approval is received from TCAC, this project is not eligible to use a utility allowance based on the CUAC.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of fifteen years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(5) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

Points System	Max. Possible Points	Requested Points	Points Awarded
Owner / Management Characteristics	10	10	10
General Partner Experience	7	7	7
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ¼ mile of transit, service every 30 min, 25 units/acre density	7	7	7
Within ½ mile of public park or community center open to general public	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of public library	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	5	5	5
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	2	2	2
Service Amenities	10	10	10
SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING TYPE			
Service Coordinator/Other Services Specialist, min. ratio 1 FTE to 360 bdrms	5	5	5
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, min. 84 hrs/yr instruction	5	5	5
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of Low Income Units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	10	10	10
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
Total Points	109	109	109

Please Note: If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.